
SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: BCR #08-16 - \$230,936 - Public Works - 1991 Infrastructure Sales Tax Fund - Cancellation of I-4 Pedestrian Overpass Lighting / establishment of Project Contingency

DEPARTMENT: Fiscal Services

DIVISION: Budget

AUTHORIZED BY: Lisa Spriggs

CONTACT: Lin Polk

EXT: 7177

MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Budget Change Request #08-16 through the 1991 Infrastructure Sales Tax Fund in the amount of \$230,936.00 to recognize the cancellation of the I-4 Pedestrian Bridge Lighting project and reallocating the available funds to Project Contingency.

County-wide

Lin Polk

BACKGROUND:

The **I-4 Pedestrian Bridge Lighting** project was to develop concepts and design for additional lighting and signage of the I-4 pedestrian bridge. This project was intended to enhance the signature gateway Cross Seminole Trail Overpass of Interstate 4. It was also intended to raise awareness of the entire Seminole County trail network.

As noted in the attached memorandum from Jerry McCollum, P.E., County Engineer, staff is recommending that the project be canceled due to its financial impact and future financial obligations on the County.

The project was originally budgeted in FY 2003/04 for \$300,000. There was a reduction in the project budget between FY 2004/05 and FY 2005/06 of \$24,972. During the course of the project, a total of \$28,775.33 was expended. Additionally, there are \$15,317 in currently outstanding encumbrances, resulting in an available balance of \$230,936.33.

The available balance of \$230,936 will be used to establish a **Project Contingency** for the 1991 Infrastructure Sales Tax Fund. In accordance with the Budget Policy implemented by the Board at their November 13, 2007, meeting, these funds may be transferred by the County Manager to an existing capital project within the 1991 Infrastructure Sales Tax Fund. These funds may not be transferred to another fund or subfund, nor may they be utilized for operating purposes.

It is likely that some of the outstanding encumbrances will not be utilized by the County's vendors for this project. As such, the County Manager is authorized under the Budget Policy to reallocate the remaining unspent funds to the Project Contingency once the final invoices have been process by County Finance. Any such transfer will be reported to the Board as part of the monthly Budget Transaction Report prepared by County Finance.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Budget Change Request #08-16 through the 1991 Infrastructure Sales Tax Fund in the amount of \$230,936.00 to recognize the cancellation of the I-4 Pedestrian Bridge Lighting project and reallocating the available funds to Project Contingency.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Memorandum - Jerry McCollum, P.E., County Engineer
2. Budget Change Request

Additionally Reviewed By: No additional reviews



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January 31, 2008

MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Brenda Carey, District 5, Chairman
Commissioner Michael J. McLean, District 2, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Bob Dallari, District 1
Commissioner Dick Van Der Weide, District 3
Commissioner Carlton Henley, District 4
Cynthia A. Coto, County Manager

FROM: Jerry McCollum, P.E., County Engineer */s/*

SUBJECT: Additional Lighting / Pedestrian Overpass
at Interstate 4 and Lake Mary Boulevard

Several years ago, there were funds budgeted for the Engineering Division to determine options and costs for providing additional illumination to the pedestrian bridge over Interstate 4 north of Lake Mary Boulevard. This lighting was not to accommodate pedestrian users but to "showcase" the bridge at night along Interstate 4. Numerous concepts were reviewed by the consultant and a final recommendation has been submitted. The recommended option would entail spending approximately \$60,000 for the lighting upgrade. This project's current budget is approximately \$230,000. Although \$60,000 is less than the amount budgeted, we are recommending, at this time, that this lighting project be dropped. The reason for this recommendation is as follows:

1. This project would become a long term maintenance obligation. Although the maintenance cost may not be much, as we all look for areas within our budget that we can cut costs, from a maintenance perspective; this project would be an appropriate item to eliminate.

2. More importantly, as the Board is aware, we have been trying to get funds to construct the section of the Cross Seminole Trail between Layer Elementary and the power line to the north. Staff has been working with a property owner to secure right-of-way adjacent to State Road 419 and then utilizing a City right-of-way to cross the railroad track to get to the power line providing a trail corridor that is not part of a roadway servicing a heavy industrial area. The estimated cost to complete this project is \$1.2 million.

Staff continues to monitor various potential grants to take advantage of every opportunity to apply for funds for this project, but most require matching funds. It is our recommendation that the funds budgeted for the lighting project be transferred to the reserve account. These funds, together with any cost savings that we may have on future trail projects, could be used to match or potentially fund the referenced "missing link" section of trail or other high priority projects.

This is an item that will come to the Board of County Commissioners as a future Budget Change Request.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this item in more detail, please feel free to contact me.

JM/dr

c: W. Gary Johnson, P.E., Director, Department of Public Works
Pam Hastings, Administrator, Department of Public Works/Administration
David Martin, P.E., Principal Engineer

*****SEMINOLE COUNTY BUDGET REQUEST*****

Budget Division Use only:

DATE: 2/21/08

FROM: Department Public Works
Division Engineering

BCR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	08-16

WHAT IS NEEDED:

<p align="center">Operational Adjustment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> More funds for Budgeted program: Program is budgeted but additional funds are requested (Increased Cost)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> More funds for Budgeted program: Program is budgeted but additional funds are requested (Increased Scope)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> New program or service: program or service is not in this fiscal year's budget.</p>	<p align="center">Project Adjustment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> More fund for Budgeted project: Project is budgeted but additional funds are requested. (Increased Cost)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> More fund for Budgeted project: Project is budgeted but additional funds are requested. (Increase Scope)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> New project: Project is not in this fiscal year's budget.</p>
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Detailed Explanation:

To close out the I-4 Pedestrian Bridge Lighting project.

Fund # 11500 Fund Name 1991 Infrastructure Sales Tax Fund

	FUND/ACCOUNT NUMBER	Project #	ACCOUNT TITLE	AMOUNT
TRANSFER				
FROM	11500.077515.560650	00229201	Construction in Progress (I-4 Pedestrian Bridge Lighting)	\$ 230,936
			TOTAL	\$ 230,936

	FUND/ACCOUNT NUMBER	Project #	ACCOUNT TITLE	AMOUNT
TRANSFER				
TO	11500.077515.560650	99999999	Construction in Progress (Project Contingency)	\$ 230,936
			TOTAL	\$ 230,936

RECOMMENDATION: ☒ Approval Date 2/21/08 Analyst Fredrik Coulter Budget Manager _____

REVIEW: FS Director _____ County Manager _____

BCC APPROVAL: BCC Meeting Date 3/25/08 Date Signed _____ Signature _____

FINANCE: Transfer has been posted Date _____ Signature _____